

## Accomplishments of the Mercury Work Group

Completed the following :

1. Finalized the Work Plan
2. Description of Mercury water quality criteria
3. Description of developing Mercury water quality-based effluents
4. Development of relevant bibliography and reference lists (posted on website)
5. Comparison of other state's Mercury NPDES Permitting and Variance Programs including: Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Minnesota, and Wisconsin
6. Compilation of ambient Method 1631 Mercury data from Indiana streams including a map of the state showing the sample collection location
7. Compilation of Method 1631 Mercury effluent data for Indiana industries and POTWs
8. Compilation of Method 1631 Mercury effluent data from other states and USEPA studies of POTW effluent
9. Edited re-issuance of first notice
10. Agreed upon the term of "Streamlined Mercury Variance" to capture what other states call statewide or multi-discharge mercury variance
11. Description of Mercury WWTPs and their costs
12. Reviewed several mercury minimization programs from states, POTWs, industries
13. Determined that the WPCB cannot develop rules regarding air emissions
14. Determined that a variance from a water quality criterion is extended in full force and affect with the extension of an administratively extended permit.